

**REMARKS**

**INTRODUCTION:**

In accordance with the foregoing, claim 1 has been amended. No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-5 are pending and under consideration. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

**AMENDMENT TO CLAIM 1:**

Claim 1 has been amended to recite:

A non-cyanogen type electrolytic solution for plating gold, containing gold salt as a supply source of gold and added with a non-cyanogen type compound,

wherein the electrolytic plating solution is added with one selected from a group of thiouracil; 2-aminoethanethiol; ~~N-methylthiourea~~; 3-amino-5-mercapto-1,2,4-triazole; and 4,6-dihydroxy-2-mercaptopyrimidine; ~~and mercapto-nicotinate~~; as a compound forming a complexing compound with gold; and

wherein the electrolytic plating solution further contains mono-potassium citrate and tri-potassium citrate.

Hence, claim 1 is respectfully submitted to be in allowable form over the cited references. Since claims 2-5 depend from amended claim 1, claims 2-5 are submitted to be in patentable form for at least the reasons amended claim 1 is in allowable form.

**CONCLUSION:**

In accordance with the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot, and further, that all pending claims patentably distinguish over the prior art. Thus, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, the application is submitted as being in condition for allowance which action is earnestly solicited. At a minimum, this Amendment should be entered at least for purposes of Appeal as it either clarifies and/or narrows the issues for consideration by the Board.

If the Examiner has any remaining issues to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited and possibly concluded by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney for a telephone interview to discuss any such remaining issues.

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Amendment, please charge and/or credit the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

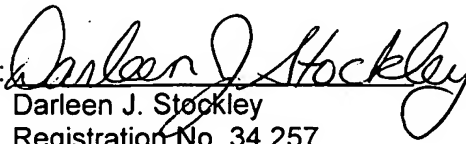
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